

## Message Text

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FM USMISSION GENEVA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7183  
INFO ALL EC CAPTIALS  
AMEMBASSY OTTAWA  
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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: GATT ETRD EEC

SUBJECT: GATT COUNCIL DISCUSSION OF ZENITH CASE

REF: (A) BONN 7923, (B) 76 MTN GENEVA 5757

1. MISSION IS UNAWARE OF ANY U.S./EC UNDERSTANDING UNDER WHICH THE U.S. MIGHT HAVE AGREED NOT TO ATTACK COMMUNITY'S AGRICULTURAL TRADE POLICY IN GATT WHEN U.S. INTERESTS WERE NOT DIRECTLY AFFECTED, IN RETURN FOR EC'S NOT ATTACKING GRANDFATHER ASPECT OF U.S. COUNTERVAILING DUTY LAW. IN ANY EVENT, WHILE GATT MEMBERS NORMALLY CONCERN THEMSELVES PRIMARILY WITH ISSUES OF DIRECT TRADE INTEREST, IT IS LEGITIMATE FOR MEMBERS TO RAISE ANYTHING THEY CONSIDER HAS BASIC IMPLICATIONS FOR CONTRACTING PARTIES.

2. IT HAS BEEN OUR EXPERIENCE THAT EC REGULARLY ATTACKS U.S. IN GATT ON ANY POINT ON WHICH IT FEELS WE ARE  
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VULNERABLE, MOST PARTICULARLY AS A DEVICE TO DIVERT GATT ATTENTION FROM EC'S OWN TRADE PRACTICES. AS AN EXAMPLE, WE WISH TO RECALL THE JULY 1976 MEETING OF THE MTN DAIRY SUBGROUP IN WHICH THE EC, IN ORDER TO AVOID TALKING ABOUT VARIABLE LEVIES, VIOLENTLY ATTACKED U.S. COUNTERVAILING DUTY LAW, CALLING IT "A WICKEDLY CRIMINAL LAW," (REF B). SORENSON

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